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Applicant(s): Ted CLARK et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1646  
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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified patent application for examination, please enter the following amendments.

## In The Specification

On page 1, line 17, delete "Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_" and insert -Serial No. 09/498,612-  
therefor.

On page 2, line 29, delete "Ectomarasitic" and insert -Ectoparasitic- therefor.

~~NE~~ → On page 3, line 1, delete insert -(1974)- after "Auburn University.

On page 4, line 13, delete "Dawe et al." and insert –Gratzek et al.– therefor.

On page 22, line 14, delete "U.S. Pat. No. 5,708,448" and insert –U.S. Pat. No. 5,780,448– therefor.

On page 27, line 30, insert -6134 - after "6123".

N.E. → On page 27, line 31, insert -- 8551-- after "8546".